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THE BOYS.

Association Hall on Monday evenings is one of the most animated and interesting scenes in our city. The sea of upturned faces that greet those who from time to time entertain and instruct these "coming men" presents a rare study. Here are boys of all ages, (between six and fifteen) of all dispositions, of all sorts and classes in life. Some good, some bad; some kind, some cross; some gentle, some rough; some grateful, some incapable of thanks. Seven hundred have already been enrolled, and at the two last entertainments the doors had to be closed before the hour for lack of room. The crowd is divided into six companies according to seniority of age. as follows: A, 14; B, 13; C, 12; D, 11; E, 10 and 9; F, 8, 7 and 6 years. Each company has a captain from the Boys' Committee, some of these having lieutenants from the rank of their companies. Each company is assigned a block of chairs and a friendly rivalry is maintained by offering rewards to the best behaved. At the close of the entertainment the companies are marched, with intermissions, some distance from the Building in different directions by their captains, and dismissed.

Last Monday Mr. Ewing gave a talk, illustrated with the blackboard, on Elementary Astronomy. The subject, though so lofty, was so suited to the comprehension of the boys, and put with such novelty and point that when the speaker supposed he had wearied them and would have stopped, he was asked to go on. After some wonderful stories from natural history had further pleased the attentive listeners, the enjoyment of the hour was consummated by the distribution of badges, to be worn upon the lappel of the coat, designating the company of the wearer. Those who may observe shining letters of brass upon the breast of urchins may rest assured that nothing more is symbolized than, that these are they who so lustily make Monday night hideous on Locust and Second Streets.

Few persons know what constitutes the "Boys' Literary Exercises." They have recently been encouraged in essay writing. Those who wrote upon "The Boys' Rooms" were rewarded by a visit to the Gymnasium, which was in turn made a subject for the next, a prize being offered for the best essay written about it. One evening five compositions were read by small boys on the subject, "Gold," which would have been creditable to boys of riper years, and greater advantages. Spelling matches are also employed. Few know anything about the Boys' Prayer Meeting which follows these exercises every Friday evening, but who can calculate the good which will flow from the impressions thus made. "And the King shall answer and say, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

HISTORY CLASS.

The Reading Circle met last Saturday afternoon and adopted the Chautauqua course of readings with the exception of Ancient History.

The Class will meet every Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock, and will be conducted by Mr. J. K. Tomlinson of the Boys High School.

The course last year proved both interesting and instructive to all who attended, and it is hoped that all who can will join this year immediately, and do what they can to make it even more of a success. The readings for the present are from Abbott's "Cyrus."

There was a fair attendance of Railroad Men at the Reception for Railroad Men and their families, held last Tuesday evening in our Hall. Those present were evidently well pleased with the entertainment.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

At a special meeting of the Board of Managers held last Saturday evening, Dr. Hugh Pitcairn was unanimously elected a member of the Board, and Wm. H. Shaffer, Librarian.

Our Choral Class of ladies and gentlemen has been reorganized. They will meet weekly for musical culture, and will serve as a choir for the Service of Song. Any member who desires to join the Class, may consult with Prof. S. B. Ellenberger, its conductor.

Our Young Men's Meetings held each evening last week were smaller than we expected, yet a spirit of deep earnestness was manifested and they were seasons of refreshing to our souls. We extend a cordial invitation to all young men to be present this evening at 8 o'clock.

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

If we could, we would devote more space to emphasize the great advantage which might be gained from our Literary Society. Not that the society is failing to accomplish its end, but we should like to see its benefits *more generally* enjoyed than at present. We are persuaded that some of our members are doing themselves an injustice by neglecting this important part of their culture. Well read, thoughtful and observant as some are, they apparently forget that "knowledge is power" *only when imparted;* that the acquirement of information is little worth without the attainment of clear and easy expression.

We know of some who are delaying to join the society until they acquire that which itself should furnish. They would learn to "swim without entering the water."

While on this subject we may urge upon those who are active in the society, not to be content with past or present, but to strive after more thorough organization, more novelty—freshness in debate, essay and speech—more punctuality and reliability in performance, more individual responsibility and interest in the welfare of the society, which would soon manifest itself in many practical ways. We commend those who are striving for this end, and bid them persevere. We have heard performances in the society, which, we say without exaggeration, would do credit to the legislative hall. We do earnestly hope that many more of our members will make our society what it might be with their help.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE ON DUTY FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 4.

Monday—William Weeber.
Tuesday.—G. H. Houser, J. H. Groff.
Wednesday.—Wm. H. Shaffer.
Thursday.—H. B. Gerhardt, Rob't Gotta.
Friday.—L. W. Fleming, F. H. Stevens.
Saturday.—E. W. S. Parthemore.

OUR MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 4, 1880.

SUNDAY	9.00 A. M.	Service in County Jail. C. A. Kunkel.
November 28.	1.30 P. M.	Mission Sunday School at Lochiel. John C. Lynch, Superintendent.
	3.15 "	Service of Song.
	3.30 "	Service at Home for the Friendless. H. C. Demming.
	4.15 "	Young Men's Bible Class. "Capernaum." David McConaughy, Jr.
	5.00 "	Bible Class (Colored). Wesley Mission, Marion near Colder. Charles May.
	6.00 "	Service at City Hospital.
MONDAY	7.30 "	Boys' Entertainment.
	8.30 "	Boys' Committee Meeting.
THURSDAY	7.30 "	Sunday School Teachers' Bible Class. J. F. Purvis.
	7.30 "	Association Choral Class.
FRIDAY	7.00 "	Boys' Literary Exercises.
	7.30 "	Boys' Prayer Meeting.
	7.30 "	History Class.
	8.00 "	Members' Literary Society. Readings, Declamations and Debate.
SATURDAY	8.00 "	Young Men's Meeting.
EVERY WEEK-DAY	8.00 A. M.	Daily Prayer Meeting.
	9.45 P. M.	Evening Prayers in the Parlors.

THE DAILY MORNING PRAYER MEETING

Is held in the Reading Room every morning, except Sunday, at 8.00 o'clock, closing at 8.30.

TOPICS AND LEADERS FOR THE WEEK.

MONDAY ..... *The Parable of the Sower.* Matt. xiii. 3-8, 18-23. S. S. Barrett.
TUESDAY ..... *Canst Thou Find God?* Prov. i. 28-32; Luke xi. 9, 10; Jer. xxix. 13. E. O. Dare.
WEDNESDAY ..... *The Saviour and the Moralist.* Matt. xix. 16-22; Rom. x. 3. J. N. Deeter.
THURSDAY ..... *Who are Members of Christ's Family?* Matt. xii. 46-50. James Crothers.
FRIDAY ..... *The Soul's Disease and the Divine Remedy.* Mark ii. 1-12. John C. Lynch.
SATURDAY ..... *The Last Days of Jacob.* Gen. xlviii. 8-23.

EVERYBODY IS INVITED TO ATTEND.

GYMNASIUM CLASSES.

LADIES ..... 5.15 to 6.15 P. M.
BOYS ..... 6.15 to 7.15 P. M.
YOUTHS ..... 7.30 to 8.30 P. M.
YOUNG MEN ..... 8.45 to 9.45 P. M.

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Subjects for the Week Ending Dec. 11.

Public Meeting.—God's Love to Sinners. 1 John 3:16, 17; 1 John 4:9–10.

Young Men's Meeting.—The Good Fight. 1 Tim. 6:12; 2 Tim. 4:7, 8.

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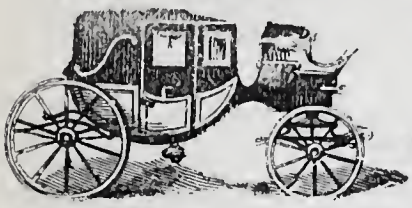

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